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TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

THE ASTORIAN'S GREAT CONTEST WILL CLOSE TONIGHT AT 10 O'CLOCK.

Close On Fourth—

At a meeting of the Astoria Grocers' Association it was decided that all stores connected with the association will close all day on the Fourth of July.

Taxes Collected—

The sheriff's office turned over the sum of \$62.92 to the county treasurer's office yesterday, which represented the amount of taxes collected for the previous week.

Summer Social—

The Christian Endeavor Society of the First Presbyterian Church will hold the first of their summer socials at the residence of Mrs. Frederick Barker, on Seventeenth street, next Friday night at 7 o'clock. The social is for adults only.

Build Depots—

S. J. Shepherd was back in town over Sunday. He has been working with Contractor Gibson, who constructed the new railway station at Columbia. The force of men has now gone to Chinook, where a station building will also be erected.

Chorus Rehearsal—

A full chorus rehearsal of the Philharmonic Society is called for at 8 o'clock tonight in Logan hall. It is requested that all members of the chorus be present. Tickets for the concert Thursday night are on sale at Whitman's book store, formerly Griffin & Reed's.

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Assessments Filed—

\$263 in assessments has been filed in the city auditor's office to defray the expenses of improving Exchange street between Fourth and Sixth streets, and the sum of \$1526.50 to defray the expense of improving Eleventh street between Commercial and Duane.

Ordered To Leave—

W. J. Chandler charged with vagrancy, was ordered to leave town by Judge Anderson yesterday. He was also suspected to have some connection with the robbing of the man who came to town from Portland and was robbed while under the influence of liquor recently.

With Military Honors—

The funeral of the late D. P. Shep-

herd of this city was held yesterday from Gilbaugh's funeral parlors, under the auspices of the Cushing Post, G. A. R., of which the deceased was a prominent member. He was buried with full military honors, in the army plot at the Ocean View Cemetery.

Liquor Case—

Complaint was filed in Justice Goodman's court yesterday afternoon against Charles F. Wise, proprietor of an Astor-street saloon, charging him with violating the Sunday closing law. The complaint was sworn to by Police Officer Houghton. It is said that other saloonkeepers are believed to have violated the Sunday law.

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Happy Announcement—

The wedding invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Lola Foard of this city to Mr. Smith of Tacoma, the happy event to take place at the Grace Episcopal Church on June 30. Mr. Smith is connected with the Northern Pacific Railroad at Tacoma, in the legal department. Their many friends are looking forward to the happy event, and are all joining hands in wishing them all the success and happiness in the world.

Will Have Regatta—

Members of the regatta committee interviewed many of the old subscribers yesterday and in practically every instance the project of having a regatta again this summer was looked upon with enthusiasm. There will apparently be little or no difficulty in the matter of securing the necessary funds, so that it is now certain that the event will take place again this season. The business men seen by the committee were practically unanimous in favoring the plan. The latter part of August is the time set for the water event.

Entertainment—

At the Red Men's Hall on Sunday night the Swedish-Finn Ladies' Society gave an entertainment for the benefit of Mr. Peterson who is ill at the hospital. A musical as well as a

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literary program was given, with excellent results and was thoroughly enjoyed by the large gathering present. A splendid supper was served after the entertainment was pronounced delicious. The kind ladies in charge realized quite a considerable sum of money out of their worthy cause, and expressed the evening to have been a huge success.

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Engines Under Repair—

The municipal fire engines, Nos. 1 and 2, are now in the shops. No. 1 at the Astoria Iron Works, and No. 2 at the Scow Bay Iron Works. Both machines will be in fine condition when they are turned out, which will be in the course of a few days. Tests were made with No. 1, yesterday and witnessed by Mayor Wise and the fire committee of the council. They will be repeated today, at the department headquarters, and No. 2, will be duly examined and then the engines will go back into service, much to the benefit of the system.

Baseball—

Sunday was a quiet day in Astoria for the baseball fans as there was not any games held in the city. However, there were several up the river that many in this city were interested in. The Fort Columbia team made a trip to Cathlamet to play the nine of that city a return game, where they were badly beaten by the beautiful score of 17 to 2. The Chinook nine went to Skamokawa where they put up a rattling game and winning by the score of 8 to 2, the game was reported to be a fast one, all the winning members playing together in a way that shows the team to be well managed and with hard practice.

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Hungry For News—

The Astorian received an order for 50 copies of the Sunday issue for the transport Sherman, in quarantine across the river, and sent them over. In addition a goodly number of exchanges were sent in the bundle. The following letter, signed by the captain quartermaster, Campbell E. Babcock, was received by The Astorian yesterday and explains itself: "Allow me to thank you on behalf of those aboard the Sherman, for your kindness in sending over the bunch of newspapers this morning. We are exceedingly disappointed not to be allowed to land, but under the conditions will have to make the best of the situation."

Stole Picnic Lunch—

A tragedy in a minor key occurred to little Dick Hobson and several of his playmates last Saturday, and several little breasts are still beating with manly indignation and sorrow over the fate that was their's. Dick had a birthday on Saturday. Naturally such an important occasion should be properly observed. A picnic was decided on as the fitting manner of the celebration, and all the other little lads and lassies in the neighborhood on Franklin street were invited. The picnic was held out near the wireless, and the first thing to be done was to carefully cache the dinner while the little folks went out for a ramble. When they returned they found that bold, bad thieves had been there before them. The candy, the oranges, napkins and all the other nice things had been stolen, though the thieves left the sandwiches and other edibles that one can get at home any day, whether it's a birthday or not.

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Fourth of July—

Messrs. Cline and McLain of the Fourth of July committee are working hard to make the entertainment a big success and everything looks now as if the day will be one of more than common interest. There will be

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PROBATE CASES UP YESTERDAY

JUDGE TRENCHARD PASSES UPON SEVERAL MATTERS PERTAINING TO LOCAL ESTATES.

In probate court yesterday Judge C. J. Trenchard passed upon several matters pertaining to the administration of estate.

Mrs. Anna H. Betts made application to be appointed administratrix de bonis non of the estate of Theresa O'Brien, deceased. The circumstances in this case were somewhat peculiar. John P. Betts, husband of the dead woman, and John H. Kock were the regularly appointed administrators, but each died, and it became necessary to appoint another. About \$900 in currency and a considerable amount of real property are involved in the administration. The court approved Mrs. Betts' application.

In the matter of the estate of C. R. Thomson, Mrs. Mary P. Thomson filed a third account as administratrix and prayed for an order approving. After due examination the court approved the account and order it allowed.

In the matter of the guardianship of the person and estate of Charles M. Fulton, minor, application was made by the guardian, Anna M. Fulton, for an order to sell an undivided one-tenth of certain real property. No objection being made, the sale was ordered, at private sale.

A petition was received from S. F. Clayton to be appointed administratrix of the estate of Daniel P. Shepherd, who died here recently. The only known heir is Burton Shepherd, of Sioux City, Ia., and Mrs. Clayton appears as a creditor against the estate. She was appointed, under bond of \$1200.

Judge Trenchard also made an order confirming the sale of property in the matter of the estate of Mary B. Cook. The sale was made by Alexander Gilbert, Jr., as administrator, to Alexander Gilbert, Sr.

sports galore, and an invitation has been extended to the soldiers of Fort Stevens and Fort Columbia of this district to participate. It is confidently believed that the soldiers will come in on the games and perhaps they can be prevailed upon to take some other part in the day's entertainment. It is more than probable that the committee will spring some very welcome surprises in the parade, if all the plans turn out well. Efforts will be made to interest the Chinese, and if their services can be secured it is certain that the Celestial part of the parade will be highly interesting. The suggestion has also been made that it would be of great value if there could be some sort of representation of the various nationalities residing in Astoria in the parade. For example, it is believed that it would be a very pretty sight if children of the American, Swedish, Norwegian, Finn, and other races would march, each carrying flags of their native lands entertained with the American flag. Perhaps it would be possible to interest the Chinese and Japanese in this, too, and it is believed that such a representation of the children would be a very interesting and beautiful sight. The tug of war has been arranged for, and will be on a high platform so that all can see.

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Savings Banks.

The Bankers' Savings & Loan Association have received a number of small saving banks and are giving them out to their young patrons for their use in collecting the nickels and dimes. The savings banks are very attractive and tend to cultivate a habit of thrift which is very beneficial to the young.

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ASTORIA THEATRE.

The favorite actress, Miss Georgia Harper and her clever company of 16 players will open their engagement at the Astoria Theatre, Sunday evening, June 21st, in Paul Kester's romantic drama, "Nell Gwynne of Old Drury."

Miss Harper is one of the few theatrical stars who has made a success wherever she has appeared. This speaks much for her, as she has toured the United States, Canada and Mexico in the past and has always been received with enthusiasm. She has assumed many roles and has been most favorably compared with the world's best artists, she comes to Astoria with a strong supporting company, comprising some of the best artists in the profession, an abundance of new and special scenery and a wealth of elegant costumes. Everywhere this excellent organization has appeared it has been applauded as a theatrical treat. As "Nell Gwynne," Miss Harper has a character suited to her gifts as an actress

and following the words of a critic who recently said: "She held her lines prettily, and was charmingly natural in her every movement. Her jolly, good humor was unaffectedly real, and she made us understand the hold she had on King Charles. Her wit was bright and keen and rolled from her tongue with the ease of a courtier, her bearing was the essence of grace and her manner was at all times captivating."

DONE BY DEED

U. B. Scott and wife and R. W. Nanny and wife, to Lizzie A. Cullison, quit claim deed for lot 2, block 2, Ocean Grove; \$10.

Walter C. Smith and wife to Charles E. Hall, lot 11, block 3, the Plaza; \$225.

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